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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE

In the application of  
FRANK ZHISHI XIA

Art Group Unit: 3754

Application No. 10/688,818

Examiner: Nicolas, Frederick C.

Filing Date: 10/20/2003

For: EASILY SEALED AND OPENED, PRE-FILLED, DISPOSABLE PIPETTE

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Encino, CA  
July 17, 2006

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ELECTION/RESTRICTIONS

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action Summary dated 06/22/2006  
for an Election/Restriction.

The applicant under 35 U.S.C. 121 elects to prosecute with traverse  
I-Species A: Figures 1 and 2 and V-Subspecies E: Figure 6.

Figures 1 and 2 read on Claims 1-7 and Figure 6 reads on Claim 12.

Figure 6 illustrates one of many sealing means that can be used to  
seal the lower tip of the pipette.

In view of the above, the applicant respectfully requests that the  
restriction requirement be withdrawn upon reconsideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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